

With the Candidates

The Torrance Committee for Good Government has endorsed Mayor Albert Isen, describing him "as the most qualified candidate for Mayor of the city of Torrance on the April 10 municipal ballot," in the announcement released this week by Donald J. Krauser, chairman of the citywide, unaffiliated committee.

George L. Kurtz, David K. Lyman, and Ross Sclarotta, candidates for City Council; Fred Spangler, candidate for treasurer, and George Morehart and Earl Sumpter, candidates for clerk, were endorsed by the committee of Torrance residents last week.

"Our review of the education, professional and political backgrounds of the five candidates for Mayor," said Krauser, "resulted in the immediate elimination of two candidates. A third candidate was removed from consideration after further consideration. Digesting the record of the remaining two candidates was not an easy task," according to Krauser, "but only Mayor Isen remained as a logical candidate when these two records and their relationship to the people of the future of Torrance were evaluated."

The committee's report considered Mayor Isen as a "dedicated candidate, somewhat of a rarity in politics. His principal opponent apparently realizes this fact," said the committee, "and has, as a result, resorted to a campaign of questionable dignity. This campaign has only served to lower the stature of the candidate," concluded the report, "who does have some applicable qualifications for the office."

Endorsement of candidates for state and congressional offices, according to Mr. Krauser, will be announced at a later date.

An open meeting for candidates for city offices will be held at 8 tonight at McMaster Park, Artesia and Yukon, under the sponsorship of the North Torrance Civic Improvement Assn., according to President John F. Mulvihill.

Invited to participate in the event are candidates for mayor, the City Council, city clerk's office, and treasurer.

Harold Thomasian, Torrance lawyer, has filed for Superior Court office No. 47. He seeks to fill the post vacated by Judge Fletcher Bowron.

Thomasian has been active in many county and state organizations. He is a member of the Los Angeles County Bar Assn. and the South Bay Bar Assn.

The candidate was graduated from Hope High School, Providence, R.I., in 1941. During World War II, Thomasian served as a radioman-gunner in the U.S. Army Air Corps and was discharged in 1946 as a corporal.

He attended University of Southern California and has a law degree from Southwestern Law School in Los Angeles. Thomasian and his wife, Grace, live at 2635 La Costa Place, Palos Verdes Estates. They have two children, Aleta, 7, and Paul, 6.

Mrs. Thomasian, the former Grace Elizabeth Blackmore, was employed as a social worker for CYO and St. Anne's Hospital in Los Angeles.

Thomasian said he would announce his campaign staff within a few days.

"If nothing more, I want to draw the voters' attention to the voters' attention," he said, "think all judges are appointed by the governor."

"The voters of Torrance have their greatest opportunity in the city's recent history to elect a united City Council which can move ahead in the interests of the many, rather than a favored few," City Council Candidate Ken Miller said this week.

He cited independent, responsible leadership as the key issue in the city council race "rather than vague, impossible promises which evaporate the day after election."

Three seats are open, giving the voters three chances to put the strongest, most efficient

people on the council and support the members already there who are trying to work for the good of the people of Torrance, Miller said.

"MY EXPERIENCE as a member of the local Planning Commission has proved to me that just wanting to do what is best for the people is not enough... you have to have the courage to effectively fight for what you know is right," Miller pointed out.

The recent "late-late-vote" which overrode the protests of citizens and changed the zoning of industrial land for apartment construction was an example of how a determined few can obstruct and maneuver on the council.

"The amazing thing about this is that every member of the Planning Commission, myself included, voted previously against this zone change after carefully studying the matter," Miller declared.

He expressed the opinion that the citizen of Torrance have had their protests trampled like this too many times in the past year to be lulled by kind words and bottomless promises during the coming election.

"I feel sure the people want a change of heart on their council. They want their opinions and protests to be heard rather than treated as an irritation by a few members of that body."

"This election gives them the opportunity to put experienced, independent and responsible leaders along side those already there," Miller concluded.

"I will always inform the public if improper attempts to influence your City Clerk occur," vowed James G. Shidler, Candidate No. 9 in the alphabetical ballot list of Torrance City Clerk candidates.

Shidler is not on a ticket with any council or other candidate. Jim has not received any help from any "special privilege" group. He does not sell real estate, or have investments therein, he said.

"While I have received much help from new and old friends, I expect to be elected on two qualifications," Shidler asserted. "They are: (1) University graduate; and (2) only candidate endorsed by the retiring incumbent, who is the only city clerk Torrance has—he best knows what Torrance needs," Shidler stated.

Shidler, decorated Marine veteran, old-time Torrance resident, warned citizens not to vote for the name alone, but to know something about the candidates.

"Some candidates expect to retire from ordinary life if elected," Jim concluded. "I am educated and young enough to let some fresh air circulate into the city hall."

David K. Lyman, Torrance attorney and candidate for City Council, stated to a group of Torrance women that the city must be divided into geographic councilmanic districts with each district represented by one councilman if the whole city is to be properly represented.

Lyman stated that at present there are 45,465 registered voters in the city of Torrance, and under the present system of electing representatives at large to the council where a candidate must attempt to reach all of the registered voters in the city, the cost of campaigning is becoming prohibitive. The cost of mailing one postcard to all registered voters in Torrance is over \$1,200. If something is not done to change the system of electing councilmen we will find that only those people who can attract large sums of money will be able to be elected to office. If the city were divided into 10 geographic councilmanic districts, then an individual running for the city council would only have to reach approximately 5,000 voters and the cost of campaigning would be cut by 90 per cent.

LYMAN continued that the city of Torrance is so diverse that one man cannot be completely versed on all the problems of all areas of the city. The recent occurrence in North Torrance where a small boy was drowned demonstrated the fact that the City Council and the city administrators were totally ignorant in regards to conditions existing in North Torrance. This situation would be corrected

by having geographic councilmanic districts where this area and others would be represented by their own councilmen.

Lyman concluded that geographic councilmanic districts are necessary in order for the people to retain control over their elective representatives and in order to bring the cost of campaigning for the council to a reasonable level. Geographic councilmanic districts may be created by amendment to the City Charter.

Two new endorsements were added during the past week to the many already received by Mayor Albert Isen from leaders of business, industry, government, and community groups, Jack Phillips, chairman of the Citywide Committee to re-elect Mayor Isen, announced this week.

COPE, representing the membership of the AFL-CIO unions in the Torrance area, endorsed Isen after screening the records of the five candidates for the office of Mayor

of Torrance. The incumbent mayor also received the endorsement of the Torrance Committee for Good Government in a statement released to the newspapers this week by Donald J. Krauser, chairman of the committee. The endorsement by Victor Benstead and George Vico, city councilmen, were received early last week.

MAYOR ISEN released a statement concerning many comments he has received on

the tactics of one of the candidates. "I am quite well aware," said Mayor Isen, "that anyone who enters the political arena subjects himself at times to the most vicious and unprincipled attacks, smears, mudslinging and vituperation. If for this reason," continued the mayor, "experienced and qualified people refuse to run for office, they will leave the positions in public service to the maneuvering of petty men;

second-raters whose primary interest is personal gain, self-aggrandizement and power to destroy."

"With the cooperation and goodwill of the people of Torrance, this city will go on making big strides during the next four years. Our city could not have become great," concluded Mayor Isen, "without the active participation of so many of its residents."

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